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1. FRG EMBASSY MINISTER COUNSELOR HANS SCHAUER INFORMED DEPARTMENT AUGUST 21 THAT CUBA HAD AGREED TO TWO FRG PRECONDITIONS FOR ENTERING INTO DISCUSSIONS AIMED AT ESTABLISHING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES. CUBA HAD RELEASED GERMAN NATIONAL POLITICAL PRISONER GUENGLER, WHO HAD ALREADY RETURNED TO GERMANY. CUBA HAD ALSO REACHED AGREEMENT ON SETTLEMENT OF QUESTION OF OLD TRADE DEBTS. ON BASIS THIS MOVEMENT, REPRESENTATIVES OF BOTH GOVERNMENTS HAD AGREED TO MEET TOWARDS END OF SEPTEMBER IN PARIS TO EXAMINE "IN OFFICIAL FORM" QUESTION OF ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS. WHEN ASKED WHETHER CUBANS HAD AGREED TO THIRD FRG PRECONDITION OF INCLUSION OF BERLIN CLAUSE IN FUTURE TREATIES, SCHAUER SAID HIS INFORMATION DID NOT INDICATE THAT AGREEMENT HAD BEEN REACHED ON THIS POINT, BUT HE OPINED THAT VARIOUS FORMULAE ON BERLIN HAD MET APPROVAL OF NUMBER OF COUNTRIES INCLUDING INTER ALIA YUGOSLAVIA. HE SUGGESTED
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THAT BERLIN CLAUSE QUESTION WOULD PROBABLY NOT PROVE

OBSTACLE.

2. DEPOFF EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR EMBASSY'S KEEPING
DEPARTMENT INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS IN FRG-CUBAN RELA-
TIONS AND HOPE THAT EMBASSY WOULD CONTINUE TO DO SO IN
FUTURE. KISSINGER

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